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ENRAGED WOMAN

KILLS SISTER WITH KNIFE

Who Had Usurped The Affections of Her Husband.

Released From Jail On Verbal Promise To Appear Before Grand Jury.

A most sensational killing occurred in Whitwell Friday night when Mrs. Grace Shumake was killed with a pocket knife by her sister, Mrs. Lena Vanhooser, wife of Bam Vanhooser.

The tragedy occurred on Main Street, nearly opposite the Baptist Church. Mrs. Shumake lived one hour afterwards, dying in Whitwell hospital. She was slashed in the throat, left arm, left and right breasts and her right hand nearly cut off.

The tragedy is the result of trouble which has existed for years and at the preliminary examination at Jasper Monday afternoon before Justices Pryor, Warren and Johnston evidence was brought forth which told a tale of sin and misery for Mrs. Vanhooser, which resulted in her release from jail, where she had been confined since the crime, with merely verbal promise to appear before the grand jury if it should so order for another examination. She is the mother of six small children.

Great interest has been aroused, and while there is deep regret that the trouble had to culminate in a tragedy, there is also expressed deep sympathy for Mrs. Vanhooser in what she has had to undergo. Vanhooser, it seems, had taken up with the Shumake woman, who bore a questionable reputation, to the neglect of his wife and family, and the trouble was of such long standing that it preyed on Mrs. Vanhooser's mind till it turned her into a frenzy of rage, hence the tragedy.

Mrs. Vanhooser was represented in the trial by attorneys Morrison and White.

Makes Improvement.

Whitwell, June 1.—The Price Hotel has been greatly improved by addition thereto and painting. The building near it, owned by F. L. Price, has been moved fifty feet to the north, thereby giving more ground around the hotel. The Price hotel is now the largest hotel in Whitwell.

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Eastland.

Special to the News.

Why so much crying about hard times? People seem to have plenty of money to travel on. Everybody has good clothes to wear. Some have money to buy whiskey with or to go to the show every night where they are convenient. The trains are crowded with people every day, and still they complain of hard times.

The Marionville writer wanted to know how to control hard times. Use a little economy and common sense is a very good remedy. People are complaining of taxes being high. Well, an acre of land that could be bought thirty years ago for \$50, can't be bought now for \$100. The higher the valuation of property, the higher the tax will be. What makes hard times with some people is because they don't work. They just loaf about and look for a living to come to them. My advice is, when you make a dollar, lay up part of it and try to make another dollar. Some people when they get a few dollars ahead quit work until it is all gone and then cry "hard times."

L. S. Baumgartner and W. H. Bellis have resigned their positions with the Bon Air Company. The Odd Fellows of this place decorated the grave of James Bennett, at Stringtown, the 30th of May.

One of Gilbert Hobbs boys was painfully burned Saturday in the mines when he lit a piece of fuse and stuck it in a powder can that contained some powder.

Automobiles are very plentiful out here since the mud has dried up.

Wake up, "Uncle Joe" and "Lone Star". Let's hear from you. How are you getting along.
J. G.

Letter From "Lone Star."

Editor News:

I have just returned from a 5-week's visit to Dallas, Arlington, Ft. Worth and Denton Co. My cousin, Mrs. Seffronia Curry, of R. 3, Aubrey, Texas, is very low. She has been confined to her room with paralysis. I just received a letter this afternoon saying she was expected to live but a short while.

I send you one dollar to keep the News coming. I would send for the whole year, but it is so easy to send \$1.00 bills.

I cannot see any better yet and I don't expect my eyes to get better until operated on. Will send a communication next week.
A. L. BRACKEN,
185 Pine Bluff St.,
Paris, Texas.

Hand Mashed Badly.

J. P. Hynes injured his left hand severely Thursday. He was directing the moving of a car on railroad track near Whitwell for the purpose of loading lumber. To assist he used a scantling in moving car which slipped in some way, mashing his hand badly. Four stitches were taken in one of his fingers, but no bones were found to be broken. He pluckily drove his car to Whitwell for medical attention, but the car was streaked with blood from the injured hand.

E. O. Walker, of Limestone, Tenn., was here Monday night. He is representing the Volunteer State Realty & Auction Co., and has an ad in the News this week.

Advertise in your home paper.

IN "CHURCH" WITHOUT ROOF SALVATIONISTS PREACH TO MORE THAN 18,000,000 YEARLY



A few of the 18,000,000 persons who attend Salvation Army outdoor meetings each year. (Insert) A penitent at the "Mercy Seat."

More than eighteen million men and women make up the congregations that attend in a single year the street meetings of the Salvation Army in this country. Six millions of these, according to conservative estimate, would never hear the gospel preached but for the practice of the Salvationists of taking the church to the people.

That practice was not an easy one to start. Between the rough-house methods of rowdies who tried to break up even their indoor services in the early days and the unwillingness of the police at first to permit the holding of street meetings the Salvationists had a strenuous time of it.

But they persisted, and the Army with the bass drum and the tambourine has kept marching on. When its officers were not preaching they were establishing hospitals, nurseries, rescue homes and institutions of all kinds

for the aid of the poor and were giving themselves in unselfish service.

For forty years they financed their humanitarian efforts with the pennies, nickels and dimes collected by blue-bonneted lassies in their tambourines. Then the lassies laid the tambourines aside to serve doughnuts and home cheer to Uncle Sam's boys over in France, and they suddenly awakened a public interest that made it unnecessary for the Army to depend any longer for its existence on tambourine collections.

Under the new dispensation the Salvationists present annually to the country a budget of their financial needs. To maintain their homes, their activities for children, for down-and-out men and women, for the sick and poverty stricken, they will require \$10,000,000 in 1920. Their appeal for this amount will be made between May 10 and 20.

TO THE TAY-PAYERS OF MARION COUNTY

For the purpose of informing the taxpayers who own dogs in this county, I am having published a letter from the Assistant Attorney General as to the case, taken to the Supreme Court from Chattanooga.

S. L. ROGERS,
Trustee.

The letter is as follows:
"Nashville, Tenn.
"April 27, 1920

"Mr. S. L. Rogers,
"Trustee Marion County,
"Jasper, Tenn.

"Dear Sir:
"I am replying to your letter of the 26th instant, addressed to General Thompson inquiring what disposition has been made of the case appealed to the Supreme Court from Hamilton County involving the constitutionality of the Dog tax Law.

"When this case reached the Supreme Court the State filed a brief insisting that the case should be dismissed because it sought to recover a tax which was paid voluntarily, so that tax-payer had no right to make the question of the constitutionality of the statute. The attorneys for the tax-payer have not filed a reply to that brief, and I am not sure that they will do so. We do not think that the question can be decided in that case for the reasons stated.

"I see no reason why the county officials should not enforce the statute as it is written until the Supreme Court has declared it unconstitutional, and we know of no reason to anticipate that the Supreme Court would decide that the law is unconstitutional.

"Yours very truly,
"WM. H. SWIGGART, JR.,
"Asst. Atty. General."

Commencement Exercises Very Interesting

Commencement exercises of Marion High School Thursday and Friday of last week were uniformly good and attended by large numbers. The programs as published in the News last week were carried out. It would be a difficult task to mention individually the work of each performer, but it is sufficient to say that each performer filled his or her part very creditably and showed careful training on the part of those in charge.

The decorations were very beautiful, the colors of the graduating class, old rose and pale green, predominating.

Church Services.

Rev. A. F. Phenix, Jasper. Sunday school, 10:00, preaching, 11:00. Quarterly conference, 3:00 p.m., Whitwell.

Rev. W. L. Dykes, Quarterly Conference Saturday and Sunday at Red Hill.

Rev. J. H. Prichard, Caroline Chapel, Saturday night, 7:45; Sardis, 11:00; Coppinger's, 3:00; Sequatchie, 7:45.

Organized Ball Team.

Whitwell, June 1.—W. A. Meagher, superintendent of the mines here, has organized a ball team here for the season of 1920. It is reported that Sunday ball will be a feature and games are solicited with Chattanooga teams.

W. R. Teague, the Old Curiosity Shop proprietor at Whitwell, bought and presented the News Monday with a copy of the Chattanooga Times. It was a most thoughtful act by Col. Teague and appreciated.

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UNCLE TOM'S LETTER

What of a man who refuses to advocate for the public health and public morals?

This seems to me to be one of the greatest trusts ever given to the human family and I don't see how a good man or a good woman can ignore the claims of these two greatest of all trusts.

Can a person be truly what they ought to be and lend their aid and influence to the agents of vice and immorality? I am confident they cannot.

There are so many agents of vice and some of them seemingly are so nice and genteel that we are liable to be deceived and misled.

What we need are clean men and clean women at the head of our institutions of learning.

What does Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard University, mean by accusing "good society" of being in the way of the enforcement of our prohibition laws. "These people are causing a great deal of trouble all over the country, principally in teaching lawlessness to the young." "I know," said he, "what I am talking about. Mr. Eliot said that the young women are meeting the young men in what he termed a "hazy" condition of social affairs, which are countenanced by patrons of good social standing. The fact that these young women do not object to meeting men in this condition is impeding enforcement of the prohibition law or amendment. This amendment was enacted by both democrats and republicans in the interest of the public health and public morals. It shows the wisdom of our congressional statesmen. I wrote an article on the anti line of the question, shielding myself under the plea of state rights. I simply erred. I have found after a more close study the state has no right to enact any law that will debauch and degrade the nation. Slavery would probably be in existence today if the slaveholders of the south could have maintained chattel slavery thru state rights. Congress is the supreme legislative body of the U. S., and it is their duty to protect our people from the vices and immoralities of the day. Therefore a man or woman who aids and

abets lawlessness in any form cannot be a good citizen. There can be no excuse for a man to violate the prohibition amendment. The only excuse is the money they get out of it. Of course there is in vice money and the ones who hope to reap the reward has to put the public conscience to sleep, and while it sleeps bribes are offered to make it easy for law breakers, thus trampling on our statute books, our flag, our Bibles and our homes. The law and the courts are against vice and against the men who propagate vice. These wildcatters are generally lazy, living a dissipated life, getting their gain from poor, hard-working men, debasing society as much as possible, a sort of devil's compliment to our wives, mother's and daughters. These are the ones that suffer from the liquor traffic.

I am against wild-cattling and boot-legging because of the suffering it entails on our young and rising generation. I've had women come to me and cry and tell me their husbands had spent the last cent they had drawn to pay off their whiskey bills, and I know of men now who save up \$50 to \$100 and then get on a drunk and stay on it until the last cent is gone. What a pity our hard-working men will let a bootlegger fleece them and look upon me and all others who dare to intervene as enemies.

Some who are willing to harden themselves against the laws of God and man alike, lay aside the evidence and die and fill a drunkard's grave. They are bold to defy the laws of the land and I certainly am going to be bolder in upholding the law and stand for its enforcement. True, Tracy City is quiet and there are no violations that I personally know of, but in other sections there is lawlessness. Of course, they don't like for me to write it up. Well, let them do right. The time has come when people must stand for law and order or go down.
Uncle Tom.

Putting Up Planing Mill.

Whitwell, June 1.—Bridges Bros. are putting up a building near their present mill for the purpose of planing lumber, having secured the equipment therefor.

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